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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Gerhard HARTWICH
Serial no. :
For : METHOD FOR ELECTROCHEMICALLY
DETECTING SEQUENCE-SPECIFIC NUCLEIC
ACID-OLIGOMER HYBRIDISATION EVENTS
Docket : PATKRI P03AUS

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The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

By way of preliminary amendment, please amend the above identified application as set forth below.

In the Specification:

Please cancel paragraph 77 of the specification, in its entirety, in favor of a clean form of that paragraph, without any markings thereon, as follows. Accompanying this response is a copy of the original paragraph of the specification which show the addition(s) (by underlining, highlighting and bold) and the deletion(s) (by strikeout) to the canceled specification paragraphs. Please enter the replacement specification paragraphs into the record of this case.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-57, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein, in favor of new claims 58-86 as follows.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

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